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**Dozens attend friendship city signing ceremony for the County of Kaua'i and the City of Candon**

LĪHU'E – Several dozen attended a friendship city signing ceremony for the County of Kaua'i and the City of Candon at the Mo'ikeha Courtyard in Līhu'e on Tuesday.

"As both of our homes continue to prosper into the future, we will strengthen the bond of friendly partnership and enhance the life of our communities as well as our visitors," said Mayor Bernard Carvalho Jr.

Representing the municipality from the Philippines was Mayor Ericson G. Singson and his delegation from Candon City.

"We are very grateful for the positive and generous response of the Kaua'i County administration to our initial outreach for friendly relations," said Mayor Ericson G. Singson. "From this momentous day when we sign our friendship city relationship, the future is still unknown but our expectations are hopeful and positive."

A friendship city agreement is a stepping stone to a potential sister city agreement. The County of Kaua'i currently has five sister city agreements with the Philippines since 1991.

"We are hopeful that this friendship sister relationship may blossom into a sister city partnership, where we can exchange ideas and learn, grow, and prosper in agriculture, the arts, and tourism," said Mayor Carvalho.



Photo caption: From left to right, Kaua'i County Council Chair Mel Rapozo, Kaua'i County Mayor Bernard Carvalho Jr., Candon City Mayor Ericson Singson, and Candon City Chair Aileen Rhoda Acal sign a friendship city agreement for the County of Kaua'i and the City of Candon Tuesday.



Photo caption: Several dozen attended a sister city signing ceremony for the County of Kaua'i and the City of Candon at the Mo'ikeha Courtyard in Līhu'e on Tuesday.



Photo caption: Mayor Bernard Carvalho Jr. emphasizes the importance of partnership at a friendship signing ceremony for the County of Kaua'i and the City of Candon on Tuesday.

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